

PROJECT TITLE : SPECIFICATIONS AND PROCESS ASSURANCE

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1. Specifications Fabriques de Tabac Réunies SA

- The processing specifications for blends 53MEM Merit Menthol and 57MFM Marlboro Menthol are cancelled, due to the foil mentholation process. The mother blends Merit resp. Marlboro are used for these two cigarettes.
- The processing specs for BSC Bond Menthol, CRM Checker Menthol, and NPF North Pole, have been modified (after-cutting solution without menthol), due to foil mentholation.

2. Specifications Intertaba S.p.A.

- The diameter of the standard size 7,90 mm filters has been reduced to 7,88 mm, upon request PME.
- All filter RTDs have been brought up to standard (except MAE-120 34.7305 which will follow).
- Upon request of Mr Grünbaum, the plasticizer application to charcoal filters has been reduced from 8,5 to 8,0 %. The reduction to the standard 5% cannot be achieved due to unsufficient hardening of INM's long semi-manufactured rods.
- The filter making specs for non-porous Marlboro filters 100, 102, and 108 mm have been withdrawn.
- Plug wrap BOP 0975 continues to be used on the porous filter DIS-120 (Italian Diana Specially Mild) only. Paper FU-POV (Schoeller & Hoesch) is used on all the other porous filters.

3. Specifications Ph. Morris Holland

- The width of cut for the stems processed in Eindhoven has been adapted to practice from 0,14 to 0,20 mm (old cutters).
- The after-cutting solution has been increased from 36,8 to 39,7 liters, on ARM Armada Menthol. At the same time, cigarette paper 110-6 EP (instead of 110-6) is used, as well as the porous Marlboro 100 mm filter. The objective was to reduce the numbers which were unexpectedly high.

- The filter making spec for the non-porous Marlboro 100s filter has been withdrawn. After exhaustion of the present stock of this filter, PMH will use the porous 100 mm filter on all their brands.
- PMH now manufacture porous white filters only. New specs were prepared for the semi-diluted 108 and 120 mm Marlboro filters (paper FU-POV 24 L = 7% dilution). On certain minor brands, the porous filter is used on non-diluted cigarettes, together with a non-porous tipping.
- The production of the Ambassador cigarettes has been transferred from Eindhoven to Bergen op Zoom. Eindhoven's AccuRay inspection units of the King Size machines have also been transferred.
- Since beginning December, 1979, the rod length of all King Size cigarettes has been reduced from 64,4 to 64,0 mm. Total cigarette 64 + 20 = 84 mm.

4. Specifications Ph. Morris Germany

- The cigarette making specs MLF 10 Marlboro Filter, and MLK 10 Marlboro King Size, for sale in Italy, have been modified and foresee a 7 % semi-dilution.
- A complete new specification set was prepared for the following projects:
 - a TAMBAY PMS Philip Morris Super Lights, for sale in France (see memo Buchmann-Flury 5.2.80)
 - b VICKY PLL Parliament, for sale in Germany (see memo Buchmann/Flury 5.2.1980)
 - c PETER PAN LAG Lark Filter King and LMB L & M Filter, two L & M brands, for sale in Italy (see memo Buchmann/Flury 28.1.1980).

5. Specifications Ph. Morris Great Britain

6. Specifications WELTAB SA Bruxelles

- Following FTR, PMH, and PMG, WELTAB has also started with aluminium perforation on the hinge-lid packers. At present, part of the MLF Marlboro Filter production is carried out with this system. Three more groups will be equipped by the end of April, 1980.
- New complete specifications were prepared for project BELTOISE, MAC Muratti Ambassador Extra Mild, 85 mm, for sale in France and Corsica. See memo Fauville/Flury 11.2.1980.

7. Specifications Licensees

- The specs for MEK Mercedes King Size, manufactured in Florence, Italy, have been modified to allow the use of 3,75 % Esther (first step).
- All Finnish cigarette making specifications were modified for two reasons:
 - = Use of cigarette paper TERCIG H 10 DIN 60, replacing H 7 Vergé M paper. This paper was approved by Panel A.
 - = Correction of the cigarette rod length from 60 to 59,4 mm (with 20 mm filter as previously). This modification took actually place in 1974. QC PME became aware of it now, in the context of historical data research (see below).

8. PME Material Specifications

9. PME Standard Recipes

- PMG's and PMH's local ingredients lists have been checked and will be updated.

10. Specifications on EDP

- A project brief has been drafted for preliminary discussions.

11. Process Assurance Fabriques de Tabac Réunies SA

- A study is pending following the FLL Flint Ultra production of the week of 18th February.

12. Process Assurance Intertaba S.p.A.

13. Process Assurance Ph. Morris Holland

- A first visit was paid to this company, in the week of 18.2.1980. See "February 1980 Report on Visit to PMH".

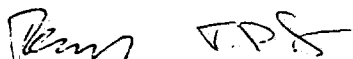
14. Process Assurance Ph. Morris Germany

- G. Voelkl and A. Buchmann have visited Neuchâtel. Different subjects were discussed. See "February 1980 Report on Visit of PMG".

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17. Process Assurance Licensees

- Historical data research back to 1973 was made for the Finnish MLF Marlboro Filter production (context: basic blend purchasing price).


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